

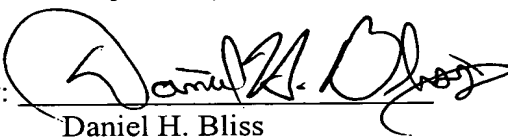
REMARKS

Claims 9, 14 through 16, 19, and 21 have been amended. Claims 1 through 27 remain in the application.

Claims 9, 14 through 16, 19, and 21 have been amended have been amended to eliminate multiple dependencies by way of preliminary amendment. It is respectfully submitted that the claims are allowable.

Based on the above, it is respectfully submitted that the claims are in a condition for allowance, which allowance is solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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